Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

- 1. (Currently amended) A synergistic composition, characterized in that it comprises an active compound combination comprising
 - (a) one or more active compounds of group 1 having the formula (I)

in which

X represents halogen and

n represents 0, 1 or 2

("active compounds of group 1")

and

- (b) one or more active compounds of group 2 from one or various more of the following groups (b1) to (b7):
- (b1) aldicarb, alanycarb, aldoxycarb, aminocarb, bendiocarb, benfuracarb, BPMC, bufencarb, butocarboxim, carbaryl, carbofuran, carbosulfan, cloethocarb, ethiofencarb, fenobucarb, fenoxycarb, furathiocarb, isoprocarb, metam-sodium, methiocarb, methomyl, metolcarb, metolcarb, oxamyl, phosphocarb, pirimicarb, promecarb, propoxur, thiodicarb, thiofanox, trimethacarb, XMC, xylylcarb ("carbamates");

- (b2) imidacloprid, acetamiprid, AKD 1022, clothianidin, dinetofuran, nitenpyram, thiacloprid, thiamethoxam ("neonicotinoids");
 - (b3) fipronil, acetoprole, ethiprole, fenpyroximate, vaniliprole ("pyrazoles");
- (b4) spinosad, abamectin, avermectin, emamectin, emamectin-benzoate, ivermectin, milbemectin, milbemycin, moxidectin, thuringiensin-("macrolides");
- (b5) tebupirimfos, azamethiophos, azinphos-ethyl, azinphos-methyl, bromophos-ethyl, butathiofos, cadusafos, carbophenothion, chlorethoxyfos, chlorpyrifos, chlorpyrifos, chlorpyrifos-ethyl, chlorpyrifos-methyl, coumaphos, cyanophos, demeton, demeton-S-methyl, demeton-S-methyl-sulfone, dialifos, diazinon, dichlofenthion, dimethoate, disulfoton, ethion, ethoprophos, etrimfos, fenitrothion, fensulfothion, fenthion, flupyrazofos, fonofos, formothion, fosmethilan, iodofenphos, iprobenfos, isazofos, isoxathion, malathion, mecarbam, mesulfenfos, methacrifos, methidathion, omethoate, oxydemeton-methyl, parathion-methyl, phenthoate, phorate, phosalone, phosmet, phosphocarb, phoxim, pirimiphos-ethyl, pirimiphos-, methyl, profenofos, prothiofos, prothoate, pyraclofos, pyridaphenthion, pyridathion, quinalphos, sulfotep, sulprofos, temephos, terbufos, thiatriphos, thiometon, triazophos, vamidothion ("thiophosphates" or "dithiophosphates"), or
- (b6) tefluthrin, resmethrin, acrinathrin, allethrin (1R isomer), alphacypermethrin, beta-, cyfluthrin, beta-cypermethrin, bifenthrin, bioallethrin, bioallethrin (S-cyclopentyl isomer), bioethanomethrin, biopermethrin, bioresmethrin, brofenprox, chloethocarb, chlovaporthrin, cis-cypermethrin, cis-resmethrin, clocythrin, cycloprothrin, cyfluthrin, cyhalothrin, cypermethrin, cyphenothrin (1R-trans isomer), deltamethrin, dimefluthrin, eflusilanate, empenthrin (1R isomer), esfenvalerate, etofenprox,

fenfluthrin, fenpropathrin, fenpyrithrin, fenvalerate, flubrocythrinate, flubrocythrinate, flucythrinate, flufenprox, flumethrin, fluvalinate, fubfenprox, gammacyhalothrin, halfenprox, imiprothrin, kadethrin, lambda-cyhalothrin, metofluthrin, MIT-800, permethrin, phenothrin (1R-trans isomer), prallethrin, profluthrin, protrifenbute, pyresmethrin, pyrethrum, RU-12457, RU-15525, silafluofen, tau-fluvalinate, tetramethrin (1R isomer), theta-cypermethrin, tralocythrin, tralomethrin, transfluthrin, zeta-cypermethrin—("pyrethroids and pyrethroid analogs");

(b7) <u>a compound</u> of the formula (IIA)

(carboxylic acid, 3-(2,5-dimethylphenyl) 8-methoxy-2-oxo-1-azaspiro[4.5]dec 3-ene-4-yl-ethyl ester, (9Cl));

("active compounds of group 2").

- 2. (Currently amended) The synergistic composition of as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it comprises one or more compounds of the formula (I) in which
 - X represents fluorine, chlorine or bromine and
 - n represents 0 or 2.

- 3. (Currently amended) The synergistic composition of as claimed in claim 1 claim 2, characterized in that it comprises one or more compounds of the formula (I) in which
 - X represents fluorine or chlorine and
 - n represents 2.
- 4. (Currently amended) The synergistic composition of as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it comprises, as active compounds of group 1, one or more compounds of the formulae (IA), (IB) or (IC)

$$CI = \begin{cases} F & (IA) \\ S & S \end{cases}$$

$$F = (IA) \\ CI & S & S \end{cases}$$

$$F = (IB)$$

$$F = (IC)$$

- 5. (Currently amended) The synergistic composition of as claimed in elaim 1 claim 4, characterized in that it comprises, as active compound compounds of group 1, the compounds of the formula (IC).
- 6. (Currently amended) The synergistic composition of as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that it comprises, as active compounds of group 2, one or more of the following active compounds:

aldicarb, clothianidin, imidacloprid, fipronil, spinosad, tefluthrin, tebupirimfos, or a compound of the formula (IIA)

- 7. (Canceled)
- 8. (Currently amended) A method for controlling pests, <u>comprising</u>

 <u>contacting characterized in that</u> a composition <u>of as claimed in any of claims 1 to 6 any</u>

 <u>one of claims 1 to 5 with is allowed to act on the pests and/or or their habitat.</u>
- 9. (Currently amended) A process for preparing synergistic compositions, characterized in that comprising mixing a composition of as claimed in any of claims 1 to 6 is mixed any one of claims 1 to 5 with surfactants and/or or extenders.
- 10. (New) A method for controlling pests, comprising contacting a composition of claim 6 with the pests or their habitat.
- 11. (New) A process for preparing synergistic compositions, comprising mixing a composition of claim 6 with surfactants or extenders.